

## Town Hall Meeting April 24, 2007





#### Vision

Savannah will be a safe, environmentally healthy, and economically thriving community for all its citizens.



#### **Council Priorities**

- Public Safety
- Neighborhood Quality
- Poverty Reduction & Economic Development
  - Capital Improvements
    - Land Use & Zoning
      - Communications

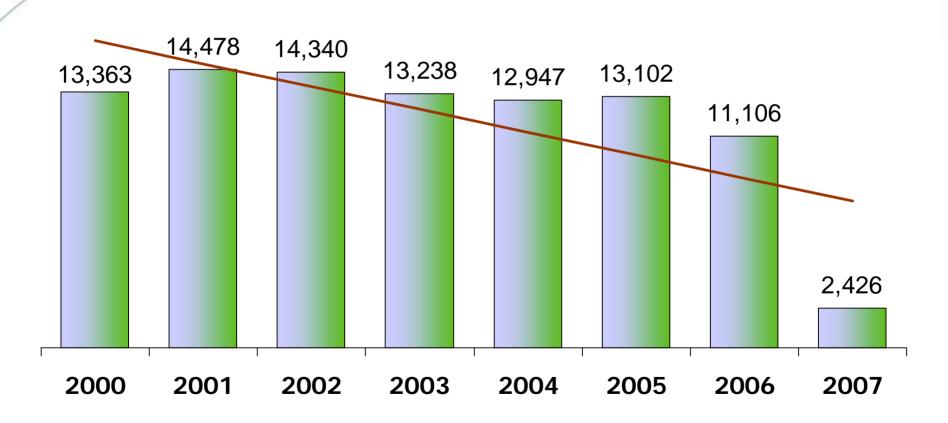


## PUBLIC SAFETY



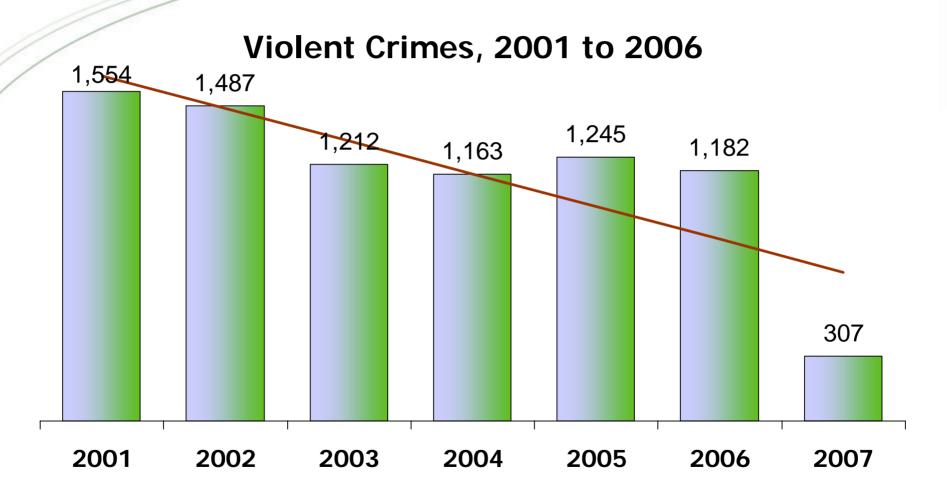
## Public Safety

#### Total Part I Crimes, 2000 to 2006





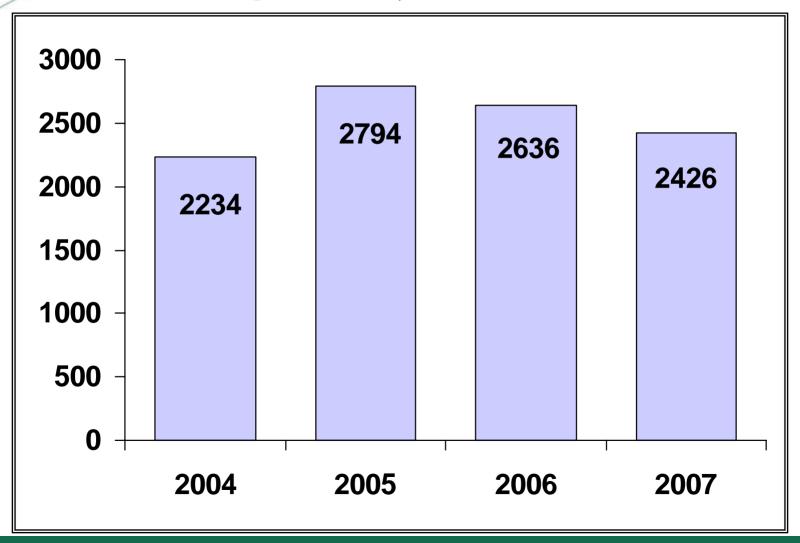
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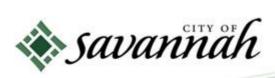






# Part I Crime First Quarter, Last 4 Years





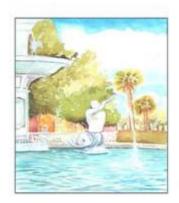


#### Carl Vinson Institute of Government

University of Georgia

#### Savannah's Public Safety Task Force

**Final Report** 



May 15, 2005



#### **Crime Reduction**

- Street level active patrol
- Citizen engagement and support
- Data-driven crime fighting
- Precinct, beat, and officer accountability
- Aggressive interdiction of drugs, guns, and violent offenders











# Caseload Report and Breakdown



	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007 1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr.
Under Supervision	375	669	987	1012	1150
Revocation Rate	14%	14%	11%	16%	4%



## Neighborhood Quality

#### Goals

- Blight Reduction
- Quality Affordable Housing/Homeownership
- Neighborhood Vitality



## Vacant Dilapidated Buildings

2001	2007
438	106

Number of Demolished structures (2007): 11



#### "100 Worst Properties"

**Created November 2006** 

#### <u>Goal</u>

50 in compliance by **June**, **2007** 100 by **July**, **2007** 

1st Qtr 2007

65 of the 100 Properties in compliance



#### 1146 Hearn Street: Demolition





#### 2409 Florance Street: Rehabilitation





# Operation: "Derelict Vehicles"



#### Derelict Vehicles Removed/Licensed/Made Operable

<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>Total</u>
1,748	2,146	3,492	4,225	1,198	12,809



## Look for the Bright Yellow Sticker!





#### Code Enforcement

<u>Violation</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>Total</u>
Blighted Occupied Properties Cleaned	4,626	5,054	5,687	3,665	1,380	20,412
Overgrown Vacant Lots Cut & Cleaned	2,933	1,986	3,183	2,602	510	11,214
Buildings Demolished	91	105	11	29	11	247



## **Housing Results**

	TOTAL
Infill Housing	201
Home Buyer Purchases	336
Home Improvements	999
Affordable Rental Unit	800
Total	2,336
Goal	2,673





## Infill Housing

**Benjamin Van Clark Infill Housing** 



**Carver Heights Infill Housing** 





## Public Housing Replacement

Ashley Midtown Senior Housing

**Ashley Midtown Townhomes** 



#### Rehabilitation











#### **Economic Development**

#### Goals

- Poverty Reduction
- African/American and Minority Development
- Participation in City Contracts





#### Poverty Reduction Initiative

Action	2006	2007 1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr
Education through simulations	1125	240
Agencies in partnerships	80	80
Families	25	25



25 Families Budgeting Class Participants



#### Asset Building

## • <u>Earned Income Tax Credit/VITA – Savannah Entrepreneurial</u> <u>Center Site</u>

Year	Returns Prepared	Total EITC Dollars
2004	323	\$116,579
2005	593	\$177,414
2006	646	\$203,323
2007 1st Qtr	726 (est.)	\$185,149



## Small Business Development

#### **Savannah Entrepreneurial Center**

SEC	2004	2005	2006	2007 1 Qtr
Client Training	420	617	592	167
Clients Assisted with Business Plans	159	333	290	18
Clients with Completed Business Plans	7	24	12	0



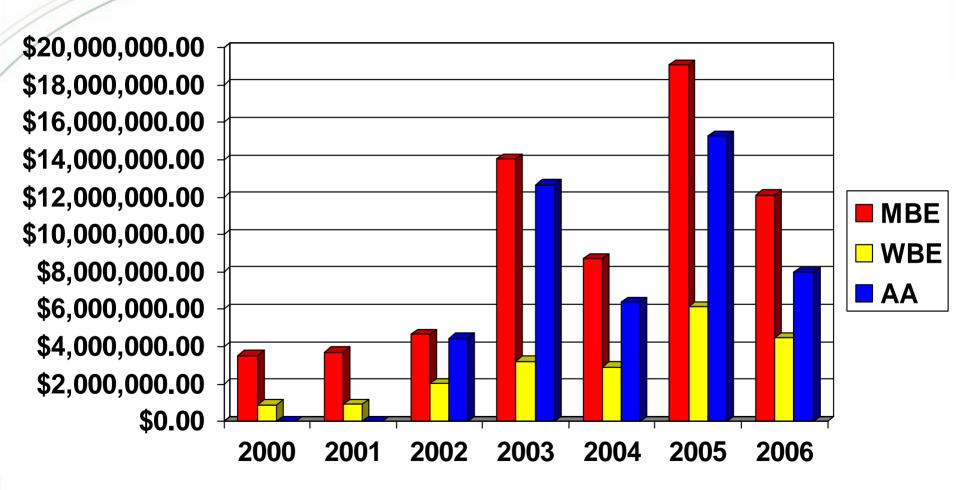
## Small Business Development

#### African-American Loan Activity

Total # Loans	Startup	Expansion	Total Loan Amount
5	\$85,000	\$150,000	\$235,000
5	\$194,500	\$0	\$194,500
9	\$ 97,250	\$ 94,000	\$226,250
9	\$230,716	\$183,257	\$413,973
2	\$125,000	\$0	\$125,000
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## M/WBE Awards By Year Comparison





### Small Business Development (MWBE)

20	2007				
<b>Total Contract Awards</b>	\$14,204,795				
M/WBE Dollars	\$4,345,916				
MBE:	\$3,274,529				
WBE:	\$1,071,387				
AA:	\$1,439,239				
Total M/WBE Awards	31%				



#### West Savannah Revitalization Plan

#### SUSTAINABLE FELLWOOD HOMES MASTER PLAN

Project overseen by the Housing Authority of Savannah





#### West Savannah Revitalization Plan

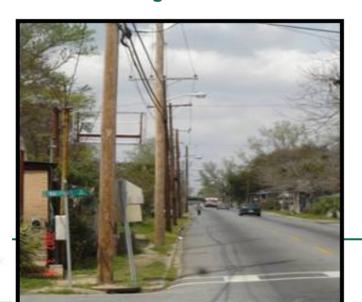




# Corridor Revitalization West Savannah Revitalization Plan



**Cumming Street Extension** 



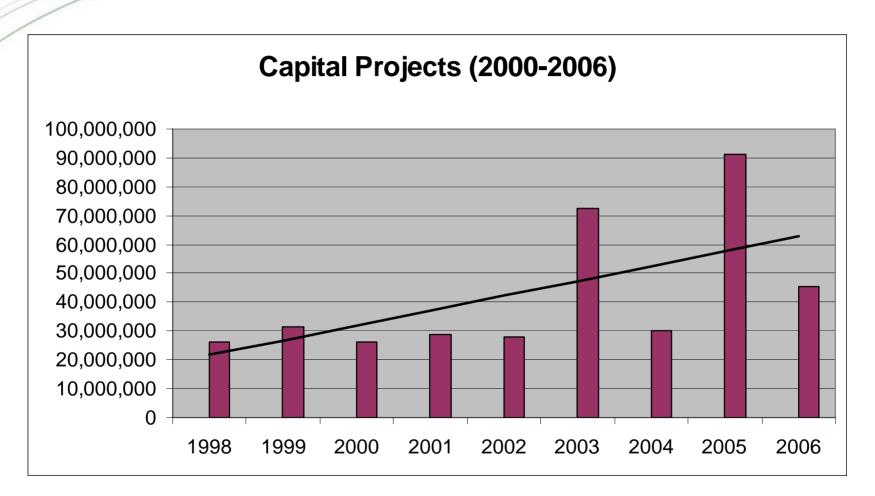
## **Cumming Street Extension**

**Comer Street** 

**Augusta Avenue** 

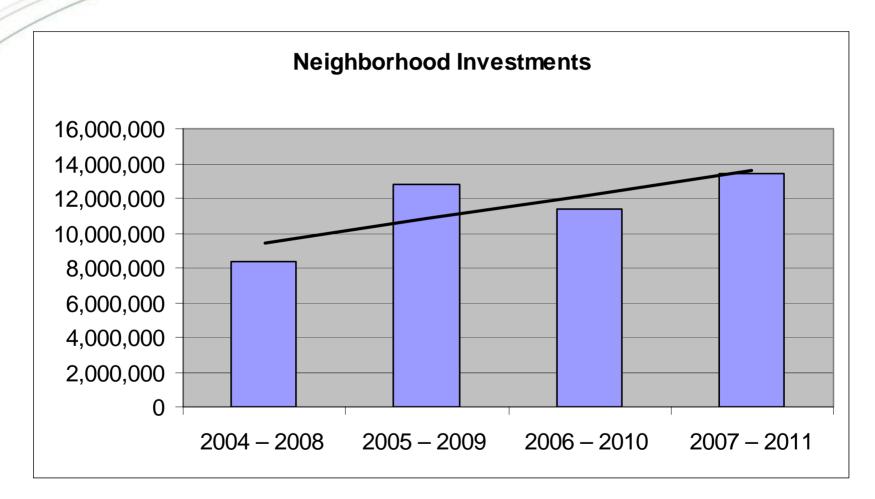


## Capital Investments





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## Land Use/Zoning

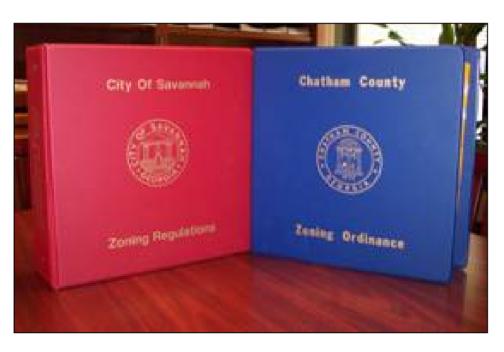
- Improve neighborhoods, foster economic development by modernizing zoning and land use plans
- Resolve longstanding land use and zoning issues on neighborhood areas

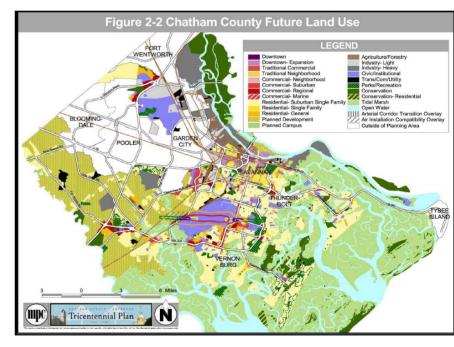




Phase 1: Comprehensive Plan

Phase 2: Unified Zoning Ordinance







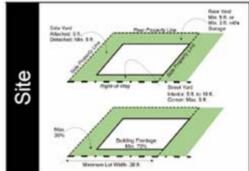
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- Implementation tool
- Ease of use
- Completion: 2008





Ground Floor Residential or mixed use (see use table in 4.6.2). Upper Floors Residential

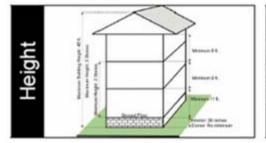






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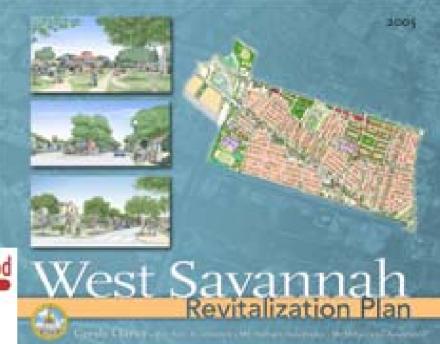
Place Height Ground floor 11 feet minimum Upper floors 9 feet minimum

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#### Neighborhood Rezonings West Savannah

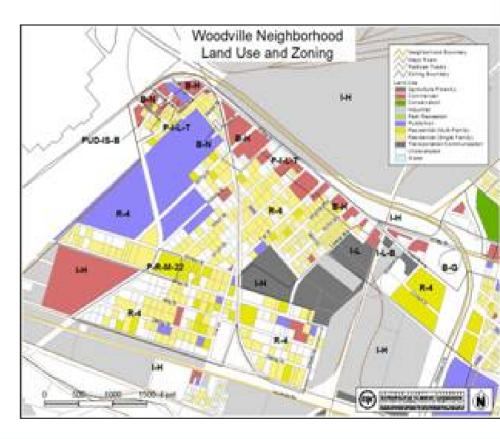




CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

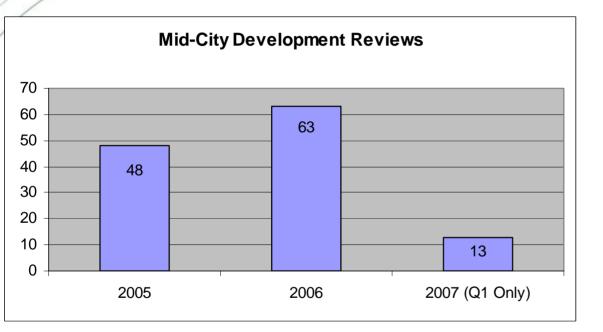
## Neighborhood Rezonings Woodville Neighborhood







### Neighborhood Rezonings Mid-City Area





Before (2004)



After (2006)



# Wireless Telecommunications Facilities Ordinance Update

Conventional



**Concealed** 



#### Communications

Goal:

Involve stakeholders, residents and employees in achieving goals



#### Update and Overhaul of City website



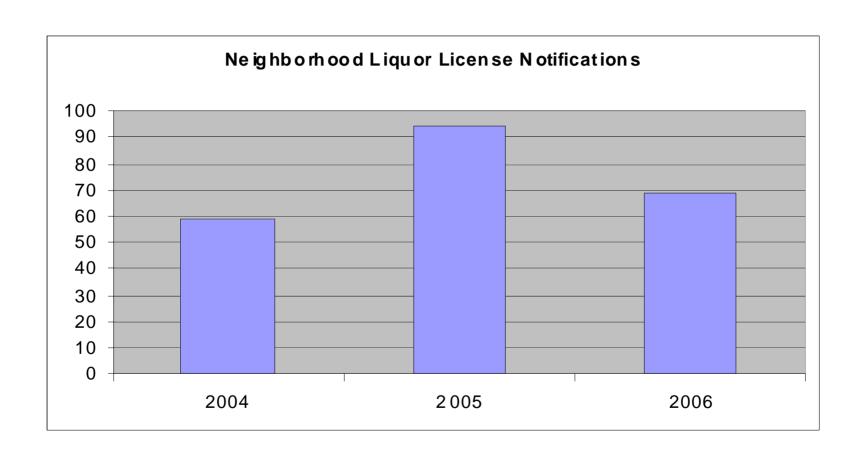


#### First Quarter, 2007

- 3,445 total attendance at town hall meetings
- 13,641 service calls for 311
- 206 police precinct advisory meetings

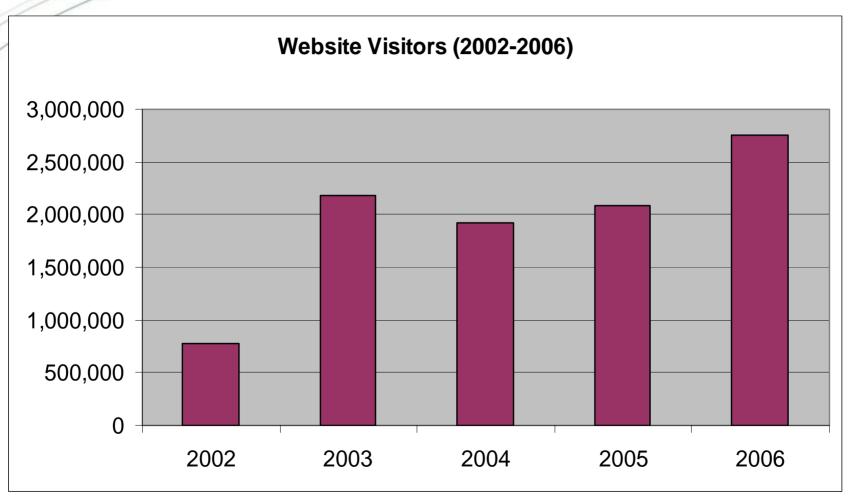


#### Communications





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